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US, Philippine oil refiner to build classrooms in troubled south

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Posted April 14th, 2008 by Mohit Joshi Education Philippines United States World News Manila - The US government and the largest oil refiner in the Philippines said Monday they will donate 2.5 million dollars to build additional classrooms in public elementary schools in the troubled southern region of Mindanao.

The US Agency for International Development (USAID) and Petron Foundation will each provided 1.25 million dollars to "help alleviate classroom shortages and improve access to basic education in conflict-affected areas in Mindanao."

US Ambassador to Manila Kristie Kenney and Petron chairman and chief executive officer Nicasio Alcantara signed an agreement for the joint project on Monday.